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Dyke and many others.

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day, March 2d and 3d, at 3 o'clock.
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Six-Year-Old Boy
Crushed to Death
By Store ElevatorMacy Operator Is Arrested;
Gives One Version of Acci-
dent, Police Another

Oliver Van Sickle, six years old, of
120 Arthur Street, Garden City, Long
Island, was crushed to death yester-
day in an elevator of the R. H. Macy
& Co. store, at Broadway and Thirty-
fourth Street. The manner in which
the boy met his death has not been ex-
plained to the coroner's satisfaction.

Morton Lee, thirty-five, of 329 West
Fifty-third Street, the negro elevator
operator, was arrested by order of
Coroner Hellenstein, and will be ar-
raigned in Jefferson Market court this
morning on a charge of homicide.

The accident occurred about 2 o'clock,
but apparently caused little excitement
in the store. Lee told the police that
the boy, who was accompanied by his
mother, attempted to jump off the ele-
vator as it started away from the main
floor. Before he could throw off the
controller, Lee said, the boy was caught
against the wall and carried to the sec-
ond floor, which crushed his head.

According to the police, Oliver fell or
was pushed to the floor. In either case,
it is said, the boy met his death thro-
ugh the criminal negligence of the
operator, who failed to close the safety
gate of the car before starting.

Most of the store employees professed
to know nothing of the accident, al-
though one was found who declared
that Mrs. Van Sickle and her son were
the only persons in the car when it
happened. The boy's father, G. B. Van
Sickle, of 55 Park Place, declared that
his wife was in a hysterical condition
and unable to give him her version of
what had happened.

Nitrate Producers Fail
To Effect CombinationTime Not Ripe for Attempt to
Control Chile's Product

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 27.—A group of
nitrate producers are understood to be
endeavoring to bring about a combina-
tion to control prices of the product.
Thus far the movement has not been
successful.

George L. Duval, of Wesel, Duval &
Co., who recently returned here after
several months in Chile, said to-day
that while the nitrate industry of the
country had assumed transcendent im-
portance since the beginning of the
European war, he heard no discussion
while in Chile concerning a combina-
tion of producers.

Since his return, he added, he had
been advised by cable that while a few
producers are working in favor of such
a combination, the general opinion is
they cannot arrive at any definite re-
sult. At present there is a demand for
all the nitrate that can be produced at
usually high prices.

Bryan Picture for Gallery

Washington, Feb. 27.—A portrait of
William Jennings Bryan arrived at
the State Department to-day to be hung
in the diplomatic reception room with
the portraits of other former Secre-
taries of State.

It is three-quarter length, and re-
presents Mr. Bryan as holding a manu-
script in his hand headed "Department
of State, Peace Plan."

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ness are not often
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Twenty Killed
As Trains Crash
In Fog on P. R. R.Fast Freight Drives Into a
Stalled Express Thirty
Miles from Altoona

Sleeping Car Shattered

Not One in the Coach Escaped
—C. A. Minds, Ex-Football
Star, and Family Die

Altoona, Penn., Feb. 27.—At least
twenty persons were killed and many
more seriously injured when the east-
bound Mercantile Express on the Penn-
sylvania Railroad was run down by a
fast freight train at the station of
Mount Union, forty miles east
of here, shortly after midnight to-day.
The express train had stopped to dis-
charge passengers, and members of the
crew were testing the airbrakes, when,
without warning, the heavy freight
crashed into the passenger train from
the rear, telescoping two coaches and
shattering all the cars of the waiting
train. A dense fog prevailed at the
time.

Investigations started soon afterward
by the Pennsylvania Railroad and the
Interstate Commerce Commission have
established that the wreck was due to
the heavy fog, mistake in signals by
the engineer of the freight and air-
brake trouble that delayed the passen-
ger train. Officials of the railroad are
inclined to place the blame on the en-
gineer of the freight, who ran past the
danger signals.

List of the Dead

Following is the list of the dead, as
given out by the railroad company:
Chester A. Minds, twenty-five, Ramey,
Penn.; Mrs. Doris Minds, twenty-
eight, his wife; Miss Maud Minds,
twenty-eight, his sister; Conifer, N. Y.;
Chester A. Minds, Jr., twenty-seven
son of Mr. and Mrs. Minds; M. A. Caf-
son of Mr. and Mrs. Minds; Charles
Lisch, brother-in-law of Mrs. Minds;
Conifer, N. Y.; Miss A. F. Dellinger, sis-
ter of Mrs. Minds; Cleveland; Richard
Owens, seven, nephew of Mr. Minds;
Dorothy Owens, six, niece of Mr.
Minds; P. R. Fanning, of Platteville,
Wis.; Mrs. P. R. Fanning, his wife; H.
A. Ropler, Platteville, Wis.; Charles
Levine, 35 Nassau Street, New York;
P. B. Pollard, 56 Lispenard Street, New
York; Milton Hynes, twenty-seven, 474
West 158th Street, New York; C. M.
Metzger, 308 West Forty-sixth Street,
New York; J. S. Kelley, Wilmington,
N. Y.; N. Bright (colored), Pullman por-
ter; unidentified infant boy.

Fifty Detectives Faid
In Ruth Cruger SearchHunt for Girl Missing 15 Days
Covers Three Cities

The fifty city detectives engaged in
the search for Ruth Cruger reported to
Captain Alonzo Cooper, of the 4th
Branch Detective Bureau, last night
that the day's hunt had not yielded a
single clue to the whereabouts of the
girl, now missing from her home, at
180 Claremont Avenue, for fifteen days.
Private detectives and volunteer work-
ers who have also been helping on the
case ended the day with the same
story.

Flagman Blames Engineer

The railroad's investigation of the
wreck was started at the office of
Jacob Whitman, trainmaster, at Har-
rington. After several members of the
passenger crew had testified a halt was
called and orders given to continue the
investigation at Altoona. The testi-
mony of S. E. Jacobs, flagman on the
passenger train, was considered of vital
importance by railroad officials. Jacobs
said:

"When the train stopped at Mount
Union I got off the rear. Receiving a
signal to go ahead, I stepped back on to
the platform. Then I noticed there was
trouble in starting the train and I
started back with my lantern. I had
gone twenty or thirty car lengths when
I saw the headlight of the freight. I
gave the red signal to stop.

"The engineer gave no signal that
he saw me. When the train came
closer I realized it was too late to pre-
vent an accident, and I jumped down an
embankment to save my life. The
freight train was running about fifty
miles an hour. It was foggy, but I
could see the headlight."

Chester A. Minds, who with his fam-
ily was killed, was a coal operator in the
Clearfield region of Pennsylvania. He
was travelling to Utica, N. Y., to at-
tend the funeral of his wife's father.
Minds was a football star on the Uni-
versity of Pennsylvania team and a
brother of John H. Minds, a Philadel-

Beauty Quest Led Milliner
to Boudoir of Mrs. NolkerIntroduced by "Taxi-Something-or-Other," Tappe Was
Pleased by Hostess, Tea, Flowers and Cigarettes—
Hearing an Opera Bouffe, Lawyer Charges

How his quest for "the beautiful in
life" led Herman Patrick Tappe, millin-
er, of 25 West Fifty-seventh Street,
into the boudoir of Mrs. Pearl Eliza-
beth Nolker, in Paris, was told yester-
day by the hat expert in the divorce
proceedings brought by Robert H. Nol-
ker, wealthy St. Louis clubman.
The examination, conducted before
Walter J. Graham, as referee, in the
Woolworth Building, occasioned so
much laughter that William A. Ulman,
counsel for Mr. Nolker, charged that
the hearing had degenerated into an
opera bouffe. The mirth was caused
by the milliner's frequent lengthy dis-
sertations on the exigencies of his pro-
fession, his lack of memory and his
"quest for the beautiful."
Encountering a famous pianist whose
name was "Taxi-something," in the
lobby of the Ritz, in Paris, Mr. Tappe
said that he had been persuaded by the
musician to visit Mrs. Nolker's apart-
ment in the hotel.

Thought About Hat

"I was thinking about a hat," the
milliner continued, "when Taxi-some-
thing was run up to me. 'Tappe,' he
said, 'a beautiful woman from America
is upstairs. You must know her. She
will do your business good.'"

"Some other time, Taxi-dermist," I
pleaded. But Taxi was so persistent I
had to go. We went into Mrs. Nolker's
bedroom. She was in bed, I remember,
and looked beautiful. She had a broken
ankle or something. The room was

phia attorney, famous years ago as
captain of the Pennsylvania team.

Three New York Men
Among Dead in Wreck

Of the New York passengers reported
to have been killed in the Pennsylvania
Railroad wreck at Mount Union, Penn.,
yesterday morning, three have been
identified. They are:

Charles Levine, employed by a jew-
elry concern at 35 Nassau Street. He
lived at 200 West 113th Street.
Milton Hynes, twenty-seven years
old, secretary and advertising manager
of the Electrical Experiment Company,
of 233 Fulton Street. He was married.
He was returning home from a busi-
ness trip.

Pollard was a salesman in the em-
ploy of the Washington Mills, 56 Lis-
penard Street. He is supposed to have
lived with his mother in The Bronx.

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Navy League Seeks Fund
Plans Made for Co-operating
in Relief Work and Recruiting

Washington, Feb. 27.—Plans for
raising at once a navy league war re-
lief fund for use in the event of hos-
tilities were announced to-night by of-
ficials of the league. The league's pro-
gramme includes also a campaign to
aid navy recruiting and to supply en-
listed men with equipment and com-
forts not provided by the government.

The announcement makes a plea that
American citizens come to the assist-
ance of the Navy Department, declar-
ing "no charity is asked of the people
of the United States at this juncture;
but a visible, material patriotism is
demanded."

Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright,
retired, has been appointed chairman,
and Lewis L. Clarke, of the American
Exchange National Bank of New York,
treasurer of the league's relief com-
mittee, which will work in cooperation
with the Red Cross.

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Sixty Are Hurt
In 3 Collisions
Caused by FogTwenty-five Persons In-
jured in Rear End "L"
Road Smash

3 Trolleys in Crash

Heavy Mist Delays Morn-
ing Trains and Holds
Vessels in the Bay

The heavy fog which dimmed yester-
day morning's sunrise caused three ac-
cidents on New York City and New
Jersey traffic lines. Nearly sixty per-
sons were injured, three so seriously
that they may die.

According to the Weather Bureau it
was a "thousand-foot fog," and ob-
scured all objects further than that
distance away. It was responsible for
the injury of twenty-five persons,
mostly women, in a rear-end collision
on the Third Avenue elevated at 149th
Street; for the collision of three cars
on a single trolley track in Hacken-
sack, N. J., where twenty more persons
were hurt, and for another trolley
smash-up in Hawthorne, N. J., where a
dozen more were cut and bruised.

Steamers Dock Late

Besides accidents, the heavy gray
blanket which lay over the city and the
bay held incoming steamers below at
the sea gates until nearly noon, and
delayed trains on all lines from ten
minutes to half an hour.

The smash-up at 149th Street and
Third Avenue was caused by the wet,

slippery rails. A northbound eight-car
train was standing at the station. Be-
hind it was another train, which had
gone downtown as an express, but was
now returning to the bays, empty.

The motorman, Frank Gallagher, said
he saw the stationary cars in plenty of
time to stop. He applied the brakes,
but his train slid into the rear car of
the other.

The impact was so great that the
standing cars were thrown several feet.
Passengers were still crowding upon its
platforms when the crash came, and
most of them were thrown from their
feet. Six ambulances were called from
Lincoln Hospital, and reserves were
summoned to quiet the panic which re-
sulted.

Eight women were taken to the hos-
pital suffering from shock and bruises
and nearly a score more were patched
up and allowed to go home. Uptown
traffic on the road was tied up for a
half hour.

Kills Sleeping Wife and Self

Newark Man, Out of Work,
Was Jealous of Boarder

Henry Arnold, a former saloonkeeper,
of 359 New York Avenue, Newark, shot
his wife through the head as she lay
asleep in bed yesterday afternoon. Then
he turned his revolver upon himself.
When Helen Arnold, twelve years old,
ran in at the noise of the shots, she
found the body of her father lying
across the knees of her mother.

Neighbors said that the couple had
been quarrelling. Arnold was out of
work, and had been so jealous of a
boarder that the latter was forced to
leave. The Arnolds left five children,
all girls.

President Will Confer
With Pacifists To-dayJane Addams and Amos Pin-
chot Head Anti-War Groups

Washington, Feb. 27.—An engage-
ment was made to-day for the Presi-
dent to receive to-morrow two groups
of persons opposed to war. One group
includes Miss Jane Addams, of Chicago,
and the other, representing the League
Against Militarism, is headed by Amos
Pinchot, of New York.

12 Stolen Autos
Found in Barn;
Chauffeurs HeldTwo Accused of Stealing
Cars Worth \$40,000
Since Jan. 1

Keys Used for Thefts

Sharp-Eyed Garage Man Traces
Machine—Captures
Follow

Henry Sheridan and his brother-in-
law, Lewis Vanderbergh, Jr., were ar-
rested yesterday by Brooklyn detec-
tives as thieves who had stolen about
\$40,000 worth of automobiles and ac-
cessories since January 1. Sheridan,
according to the police, confessed that
they had stolen thirty cars in Brook-
lyn, Manhattan, Philadelphia, Albany
and Newburgh. Thirteen of the stolen
automobiles were recovered.

On information given by Sheridan,
the police say, Detectives Simms, Wack-
ler and Grieco went to Baldwin's Long
Island, yesterday and loaded several
motor trucks with cars and other loot
which they found in the barn of Lewis
Vanderbergh, father of the prisoner.

He is a retired farmer, and had no
idea what his son was using the barn
for. He did know that his son's "auto-
mobile business" was pretty good, for
Lewis, Jr., paid off a \$1,500 mortgage
on the farm last month.

Twelve Cars in Barn

Twelve cars, from all of which the
serial numbers had been ground, were
found in the Vanderbergh barn. There
were fifty automobile lights of various

designs, \$2,000 worth of tools, fifteen
unused shoes and a motley collection
of wind shields, lap robes and things
which could be removed from a car by
a man with a screw driver and the op-
portunity.

Seventeen cars had been sold, Sheri-
dan said, according to the police. He
told them, they say, that he and his
brother-in-law, who were chauffeurs
before embarking on their independent
venture, walked the streets until they
saw a car that took their fancy. They
would follow it until the driver left it
at the curb, when it was an easy mat-
ter to insert one of a score of keys
that they carried, jump in and drive off.

The thirteen recovered cars were
stored at the Hamburg Avenue police
station, and a general invitation ex-
tended to all whose cars had been stolen
recently. One was claimed by Dr.
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